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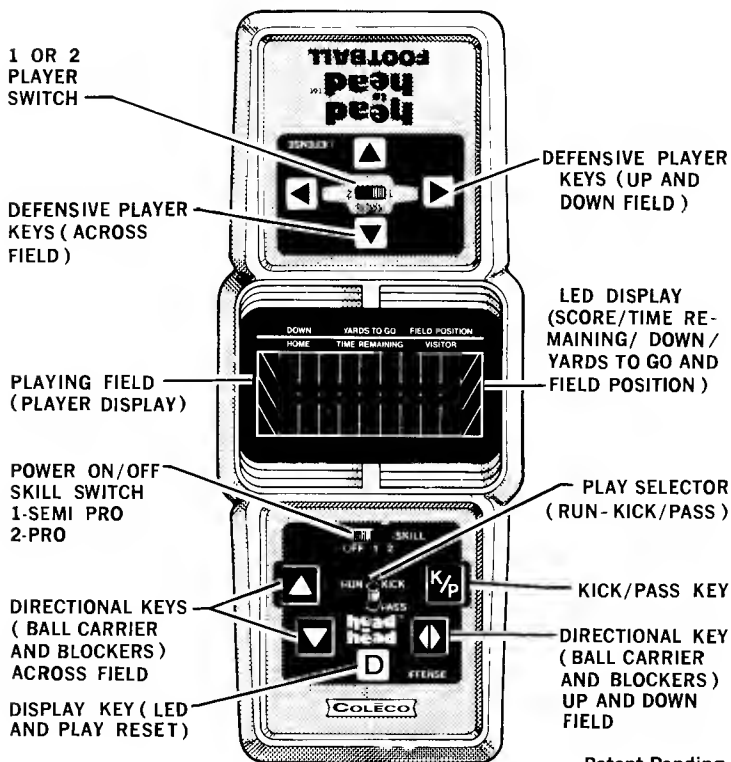
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ELECTRONIC FOOTBALL

FOR 1 OR 2 PLAYERS

No. 2140



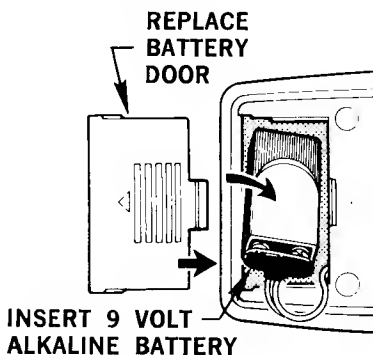
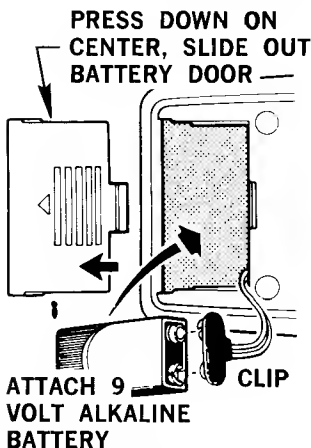
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— IMPORTANT —

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PLAY ALONE AGAINST THE ELECTRONIC DEFENSE OR CHALLENGE A FRIEND! PLAY OFFENSE OR DEFENSE! BLOCK THE DEFENSE FOR YOUR RUNNER. SET UP A PASS PLAY. YOU HAVE BLOCKING, PASSING, RUNNING AND KICKING OPTIONS. THE TWO PLAYER DEFENSE HAS TACKLE CONTROL.

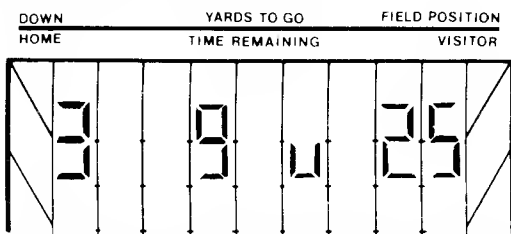
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1 PLAYER GUIDE

1. Set **PLAYER SWITCH** to **POSITION 1**. (**DEFENSIVE KEYS** will not operate in the 1 **PLAYER POSITION**).
2. Set **SKILL SWITCH** to **SKILL 1** or **2**. Game is **ON**.
 - **POSITION 1 (BEGINNER)** — Game is '**ON**'. Six (6) defensive players.
 - **POSITION 2 (PRO)** — for advanced players. Seven (7) defensive players, faster speed.

A **PRO** can allow a **BEGINNER** an advantage by playing with the **SKILL SWITCH** in **POSITION 2** and switching to **POSITION 1** when the **BEGINNER** goes on the offensive.

D Press and hold **DISPLAY KEY**. **DOWN**, **YARDS TO GO** and **FIELD POSITION** will be displayed.



The symbol '**u**' (**up**) means the **BALL CARRIER** is on his own side of the **50 YARD** line, with yards **GAINED** counting up.

• EXAMPLE: 3 9 u25

This means — **THIRD** down, **9 YARDS** to go for a first down and the ball is on the **OFFENSIVE 25 yard** line (**75 YARDS** to a **TOUCH-DOWN**).

In the **RUN FORMATION**, the **BALL CARRIER (BC)** and the two **BLOCKERS (B1 and B2)** always move in formation.

The **BALL CARRIER** appears bright and blinking — the two **BLOCKERS** appear bright and steady. Opposing players (**DEFENSIVE TACKLERS**) are dim and steady.



Pressing any one of the three **DIRECTIONAL KEYS** will begin the action.



BALL CARRIER and **BLOCKERS** will move **ONE (1)** position in direction of arrow each time **KEY** is pressed.



BALL CARRIER and **BLOCKERS** will move **ONE (1)** **YARD** each time **KEY** is pressed.



Press **DISPLAY KEY** after each play to check **FIELD POSITION** and reset play for next **DOWN**.

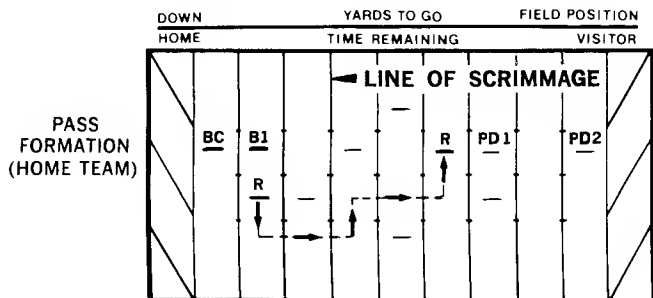
RULES FOR RUNNING PLAYS

- a. The **BALL CARRIER** and **BLOCKERS** move **IN "TANDEM"**.
- b. The clock begins counting (ticking).
- c. The **DEFENSIVE** players rush the **BALL CARRIER**.
- d. When a **TACKLER** and an **OFFENSE BLOCKER** hit each other, both are eliminated from the field. **DEFENSIVE PLAYERS** can tackle the **BALL CARRIER** from any direction.
- e. When the **BALL CARRIER** is tackled, the referee whistle sounds once. The **BALL CARRIER** will appear bright and blinking at the point of tackle and the play is over.



Place **PLAY SELECTOR** in the **PASS** position. A pass formation is now displayed, and play can be attempted.

In the **PASS FORMATION**, only the **RECEIVER** can be moved and must be in line with and at least 2 positions away from the **BALL CARRIER** to complete the pass. **THE PASS RECEIVER AND THE TWO PASS DEFENDERS (PD1 and PD2) ARE THE ONLY PLAYERS CAPABLE OF CATCHING A PASS.**



Use **DIRECTIONAL KEYS** to start the play and maneuver the **RECEIVER** downfield (towards the goal line). He **CANNOT** be tackled, nor can he move into any position occupied by any player.



Press the **KICK/PASS KEY** to initiate the pass. If the **PASS** is incomplete (not caught by any player), this causes loss of **DOWN** and no change in **FIELD POSITION**.

RULES FOR PASSING PLAYS

- a. Once the play is set in motion, the four (4) forward defenders and the fifth optional defender (if present), move toward the **QUARTERBACK (BALL CARRIER)**. The other two (2) defensive backs (**PD-1** and **PD-2**) defend against the **PASS RECEIVER**.
- b. **BLOCKER (B1)**, blocks as in the running play, and the **QUARTERBACK (BALL CARRIER)** can be tackled by any defensive player, which results in a two (2) **YARD LOSS**, if the ball has not been thrown.
- c. **PASS** may be thrown at any time by pressing the **KICK/PASS KEY**, at which point the **BALL CARRIER** and **BLOCKER (B1)** are eliminated from the field.
- d. Once a **PASS** is completed, the **RECEIVER** becomes the **BALL CARRIER** and may be advanced as in the running play.
- e. An incomplete pass (**RECEIVER** directly in front of **BALL CARRIER** or not caught by any player) causes loss of down, with no change in **FIELD POSITION**.
- f. If the ball is caught by one of the **PASS DEFENDERS**, it is an interception and the play ends. The ball is turned over to the opposing team at the point of interception.

Press **DISPLAY KEY** to reset for next down.

RULES FOR KICKING PLAYS

A **FIELD GOAL** can be attempted on any down. Place **PLAY SELECTOR** in the **RUN/KICK** position and press the **KICK/PASS KEY**. A **KICK** cannot be attempted once the **DOWN FIELD DIRECTIONAL KEY** has been pressed.

If a **FIELD GOAL** is **unsuccessful**, the **KICK** is automatically a **PUNT**, which is a "turnover" (loss of ball to opponent) and three (3) short **WHISTLES** will be heard.

The **OFFENSIVE PLAYER** can attempt a **DROP KICK** at any time his **BALL CARRIER** is in the extreme **LEFT SIDE** of the field for the **HOME TEAM** and extreme **RIGHT SIDE** for the **VISITOR'S TEAM**.

GAME SCORING

- ★ **SINGLE WHISTLE** — play is **OVER**.
- ★ **TRIPLE WHISTLE** — "TURNOVER" (**BALL LOSS TO** opponent).
- ★ **MARCHING TUNE** — **TEAM** has **SCORED**.
- ★ **FIELD GOAL** — **3 POINTS**.
- ★ **SAFETY** — **2 POINTS**.
- ★ **TOUCHDOWN** — **7 POINTS**.



2 PLAYER GUIDE

1. Set **PLAYER SWITCH** to **POSITION 2**.
2. Set **SKILL SWITCH** to **SKILL 1** or **2**. Game is **ON**.

A **PRO** can allow a **BEGINNER** an advantage by playing with the **SKILL SWITCH** in **POSITION 2** and switching to **POSITION 1** when the **BEGINNER** goes on the offensive.





3. To **START** the play. **ONLY** the **OFFENSE** can begin by pressing any one **DIRECTIONAL KEY**   .

SPECIAL RULES – 2 PLAYER GAME

In the **TWO PLAYER POSITION** the offense is controlled in the same manner outlined under **ONE PLAYER GUIDE**, with the following additions:

► At any time **BEFORE** the **BALL CARRIER** or **BALL RUNNER** crosses the **LINE OF SCRIMMAGE** the **OFFENSE** may switch from **RUN** to **PASS** or from **PASS** to **RUN**. In switching from **RUN** to **PASS**, the **BALL CARRIER** will automatically return to the original **START POSITION (BD 1)**.

► If the **BLOCKERS (B1)** and **(B2)** are blocked (taken out) before switching, they are removed from the field for the entire down.

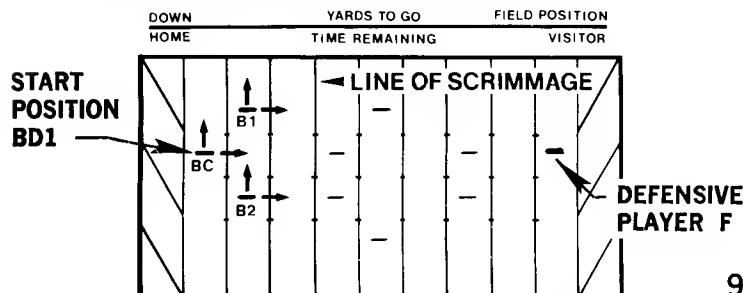
► The **DEFENSIVE PLAYER (F)** is now controlled by the **DEFENSIVE DIRECTIONAL KEYS**    , all other **DEFENSIVE PLAYERS** are automatic.

► The **DEFENSIVE PLAYER (F)** cannot '**WRAP AROUND**', he must reverse direction to go back '**DOWN FIELD**'.

► **DEFENSIVE PLAYER (F)** cannot go through defensemen.

► **DEFENSIVE PLAYER (F)** can be blocked by **OFFENSE** and be removed from field in the same manner as all other defensemen.



► The **BALL CARRIER MUST** be **ON (LIT)** in order for **DEFENSIVE PLAYER (F)** to successfully complete a tackle.



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PLAY INFORMATION

- ▶ Football fields are 100 yards long, the game display is 9 yards. Each vertical line across the display is equal to 1 yard. The BALL CARRIER starts 2 yards behind the line of scrimmage on each play. A 2 yard loss will occur if the BALL CARRIER is tackled before moving forward. A 1 yard loss occurs if tackled after moving once.
- ▶ You gain 6 yards by traveling the entire length of the display field, 9 more yards are gained each time you travel across the entire display field during the same down. This means; if you have 33 yards to go for a touchdown, you must travel the entire length of the display four (4) times.
- ▶ You have four (4) DOWNS to move forward at least ten (10) yards. If successful, the play becomes "first and ten" and you have four (4) more DOWNS to move ten yards. This continues until you either: score a TOUCHDOWN or a FIELD GOAL; fail to gain TEN yards or lose the ball on an interception or punt.
- ▶ After every score and at the start of each HALF, a kick off is simulated, but not displayed. At the start of the first HALF, the HOME TEAM receives the ball at its 20 yard line. At the start of the second HALF, VISITOR's receive the ball at its 20 yard line.
- ▶ A kickoff occurs automatically after every score. Most of the time the kickoff goes into the END ZONE and the ball is brought to the 20 yard line "first and ten" (TOUCHBACK). The game computer will occasionally allow a short kickoff to be run back by the player. In this case the first play after the kickoff will be the runback.

- ▶ **A SAFETY occurs when a team loses yardage into its own END ZONE. Two (2) points are awarded to the opponent's TEAM, they also get the ball "first and ten" on 20 yard line (u20).**
- ▶ **In pass plays the receiver must reach the line of scrimmage before receiving the ball. Failure to observe this rule may result in the field positon being updated improperly.**
- ▶ **Defensive player (F) can block a pass if positioned directly in front of the BALL CARRIER, resulting in a loss of down for OFFENSIVE TEAM.**
- ▶ **If scoring information remains lit after  key has been released, depress and release ONLY  key to clear display.**

TROUBLE SHOOTING

WHEN AN ERRATIC DISPLAY APPEARS, SUCH AS A DIGIT OR PART OF A DIGIT REMAINING ON DISPLAY AFTER THE "D" DISPLAY KEY IS RELEASED, THIS MAY BE AN INDICATION OF A WEAK BATTERY.

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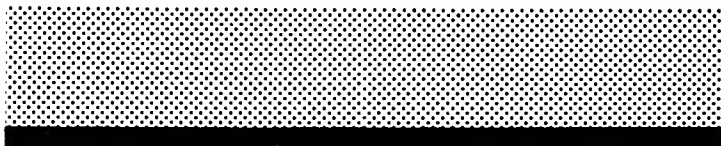
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